REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended is respectfully requested. Claims 15 through 34, claims 36 through 61 and claims 63 through 83 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1 through 14, and claims 35 and 62 are pending. In this Amendment, claims 3, 5, 6, 8, 12, and 13 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and to further clarify the invention. No new matter is added.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding the present response, the Examiner is invited to contact Ajay A. Jagtiani at 703-591-2664, Ext. 2001.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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